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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A bush cutting machine comprising:
 - a pipe-shaped operation rod;
 - a prime mover mounted to a proximal end of the operation rod;
- a drive shaft extending through the operation rod and driven by said prime mover;
- a cutter provided at a distal end of said operation rod and rotated by rotation of said drive shaft;
- a bar-shaped handle fixed to an arbitrary position of said operation rod between said prime mover and said cutter; and

right and left grips mounted to distal ends of said handle, wherein each of the grips is mounted at a center of gravity of a sum of a mass of a handle portion between a fixing point and a respective one of said distal ends of the handle and a mass of the grip, or at a position in close proximity to the center of gravity.

2. A bush cutting machine according to claim 1, wherein said grips have escape portions formed in areas except for mount portions of said handle for precluding other portions from being brought into contact with the handle.